REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 19, 32 through 38, 43, 45, 63, and 64 have been cancelled.

No claims have been withdrawn.

No claims have been added.

Claims 1 through 31, 39 through 42, 44, 46 through 62, 65, 66 and 67 are pending in this application.

Claims 55 through 58 have been amended, and support for the amendments to these claims is found, for example, at pages 23 and 34 of the specification.

CONCLUSION

Date: DECEMBER 2, 200

In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, early reconsideration and allowance of this application are most courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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